

To the Right VVorshipful  
 The Heads of the respective Colleges and Halls  
 O F T H E  
**University of Oxford.**

**V**O U are desired to signifie to your Societies, and remind them, That during the Solemnity now approaching, on the seventh day of July, All Doctors are to wear their Scarlet Gowns, and that the Exercises will begin at one of the clock in the After-noon, after the ringing of the little Bell at St. Maries.

You are farther desired to let them know, That the rising Semicircle of the Theater is reserved for Doctors and Noble-men; and that the enclosure within the Rail, is the place for Inceptors in Arts. The Gallery beyond the Doctors, in the Circular part of the *Theater*, will be the place of Masters. The side Gallery West-ward, is reserved for the *Cambridge* men: That East-ward for Strangers. The Galleries in the Front for Ladies and Gentlewomen. The upper Gallery above the Masters, is appointed for Gentlemen-Commoners and Batchelors. Those above the *Cambridge* men and Strangers, for Under-Graduate Scholars of Houses and Commoners. That above the Ladies for the performances of *Music*. The *Area*, for Batlers, Servitors, and persons of promiscuous quality.

For preserving of Order, there are beside the Curators of the *Theater*, appointed several Proctors of it; who according to the Statute in that behalf, are to take care the public peace be kept undisturb'd; and that all persons be plac'd in their aforesaid Stations, for whose assistance there are assigned severall Officers and Door-keepers, to be subservient to them, and execute their Commands.

It is strictly required that during the time of the *Act*, All persons do appear in their Gowns and Caps: and particularly, all Under-graduates, and Batchelors of Arts, comport themselves with that sobriety and modesty, as may tend to the reputation and honor of the University, upon pain of being put in the Black Book, and otherwise proceeded against, as the exigence of their faults shall require.

Withal it is required, That no person below the condition of a Gentleman or Fellow-Commoner, shall presume to wear a silk Cap; and that none pretend to a place beyond that which really belongs to him.

And it is farther ordered, That no Scholar residen~~s~~ in the University of what Condition soever, shall be admitted into the *Theater*, who is not in his Gown and Cap.

*The Names of the Curators and Proctors for this following Act.*

*P R O C T O R S.*

*C U R A T O R S*

*John Lord Bishop of Oxford.*

*In the absence of Sr Christopher Wren,*

*Dr. Marshal Rector of Lincoln.*

*Mr. Pullen of Magd. Hall.  
 Mr. Bateman of Magd. Coll.  
 Mr. Ford of New Coll.  
 Mr. Hulton of Brasen-nose Coll.  
 Mr. Boise of Corpus Christi.  
 Mr. Mostyn of Christ Church.  
 Mr. Connant of Mert. Coll.  
 Mr. Tunstall of Queens Coll.  
 Mr. Piggot of Wadham Coll.  
 Mr. Hunt of Trin. Coll.*

*Mr. Jenkins of Jesus Coll.  
 Mr. Adams of Exeter Coll.  
 Mr. Farrow of Lin. Coll.  
 Mr. Bennet of University Coll.  
 Mr. Downs of Pembrok Coll.  
 Mr. Walrond of All Souls.  
 Mr. Harding of St. John's.  
 Mr. Heicroft of Balliol Coll.  
 Mr. Delmaster of Oriel Coll.*

*The Proctors are desired to meet during the *Act*, punctually at one of the Clock, in the Apodyterium of the Convocation House.*

[about 1690?]

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